AN ORDINANCE

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#### BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE PONCE SPRINGS APARTMENTS MIXED-USE RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISE ZONE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, an amendment to the Constitution of the Sate of Georgia was adopted by referendum in November 1982 giving the Council of the City of Atlanta power to create urban enterprise zones in the City of Atlanta; and

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WHEREAS, enabling legislation known as the Atlanta/Fulton County Urban Enterprise Zone Act was enacted by the Georgia General Assembly and signed by the Governor in March 1983 and subsequently amended; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta/Fulton County Urban Enterprise Zone Act gives the Council of the City of Atlanta authority to designate areas within the City as urban enterprise zones for housing purposes if certain conditions are met; and

WHEREAS, designation of a Housing Enterprise Zone exempts the taxable value of property within the zone only from ad valorem taxes for City purposes, but the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, by appropriate resolution, may exempt from ad valorem taxation for County purposes the taxable value of the same property exempted by the City; and

WHEREAS, types of property may be exempted, conditions must be met by owners of private property to qualify for an exemption, period and rate of exemptions, and elections may be made by the Atlanta City Council among various types of exemptions which are specified by State law; and

WHEREAS, State law provides that an exemption from ad valorem taxation for City purposes also includes, but is not limited to, school and educational purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta Development Impact Fee Ordinance provides that, under certain conditions, the City may exempt development in urban enterprise zones from the requirement to pay development impact fees; and

WHEREAS, it is the expressed intent of the Atlanta City Council to use urban enterprise zone legislation as an incentive to generate private investment in areas of the City which otherwise might not attract such investments for housing construction and job creation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the conditions and qualifications of the Atlanta Urban Enterprise Zone Act, as amended, have been met relative to the creation of The Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone;

### NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1: It is found by the Council of the City of Atlanta that the area in and around the Glen Iris Drive and North Avenue area, location of the Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone is economically and socially depressed. It is further found that areas such as this contribute to or cause unemployment, create an inordinate demand for public services and, in general, have a deleterious effect on the public health, safety, welfare and morals. It is further found that these areas, as is the case with the Glen Iris Drive and North Avenue area, are characterized by no investment or under-investment by private enterprise in ventures which produce jobs, trade, provision of services, and economic activities which individually and together contribute to a healthy society. This lack of private investment and activity contributes to social and economic depression in such areas. Therefore, it is in the public interest that incentives be provided to private enterprise to invest in such areas, and that such private enterprise place priority upon the employment of those residents in those economically and socially depressed areas designated herein as urban enterprise zones.

<u>Section 2</u>: The Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone is hereby created. The effective date of all exemptions established therein shall be January 1, 2002. The Ponce Springs

Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone shall be expired on December 31, 2011. The Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone shall otherwise not be abolished except as provided in State law. A legal description of The Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone is attached hereto as "Exhibit A", and made a part hereof, and shall be on file in the Bureau of Planning and the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

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Section 3: Twenty percent (20%) of the total units to be provided, and ten percent (10%) of the units in each housing type and bedroom composition, shall be within the ability to pay of those households whose annual income does not exceed sixty percent (60%) of the median family income for the Atlanta metropolitan statistical area as most recently published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and as adjusted for household size in accordance with HUD procedures. For said units, the property owner shall verify each tenant's household income at the time that said tenant initially executes a lease agreement. Furthermore, the property owner, by January 31 of each year, shall submit a report to the Commissioner of Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Conservation, indicating the household income of each tenant who executed a lease agreement during the previous calendar year.

<u>Section 4</u>: The Municipal Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Ordinance as well as the legal description of The Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone to the Tax Commissioner of Fulton County, to the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs of the State of Georgia, and to the Superintendent of the Atlanta Board of Education immediately upon approval by the Mayor of the City of Atlanta.

Section 5: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

## **Exhibit A**

Proposed Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 48 of the 14th District of Fulton County, Georgia, being more particularly described as follows:

BEGIN at a nail and cap set that forms the intersection of the northerly right-of-way line of North Avenue (80' right-of-way) and the westerly right-of-way line of Glen Iris Drive (75' right-of-way); thence travel along said northerly right-of-way line of North Avenue north 81°41'48" west a distance of 195.00' to a 3/8" open top pipe found; thence continue along said right-of-way line north 81°25'57" west a distance of 217.79' to a point; thence leave said right-of-way line and travel north 42°32'54" east a distance of 186.95' to a 5/8" rebar set; thence travel south 50°36'19" east a distance of 15.00' to a 5/8" rebar set; thence travel south 83°01'49" east a distance of 293.95' to a 1/2" rebar found on said westerly right-of-way line of Glen Iris Drive; thence travel along said right-of-way line south 07°58'48" west a distance of 154.64' to a nail and cap set on said northerly right-of-way line of North Avenue, said nail and cap being the POINT OF BEGINNING.

All as shown as Parcel 1 and Parcel 2, being 1.25 acres, 54,579 sq. ft., on that certain survey entitled "Boundary and Topographic Survey For: Ponce Springs Acquisition, LLC, Regions Bank", prepared by Armstrong Land Surveying, Inc., bearing the seal and certification of Robert T. Armstrong, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 1901, dated February 2, 2000, last revised May 24, 2000.

## Exhibit C Acknowledgement Letter



Proposed Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zone

#### CITY OF ATLANTA

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Bureau of Planning

July 2, 2001

Jerrold L. Miller Miller Gallman Developers, LLC 236 Forsyth Street, SW - Suite 104 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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Dear Mr. Miller:

We have received your application for designation of Ponce Springs Apartments as a Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial enterprise zone. Our staff is currently reviewing the application with regard to the City's criteria for urban enterprise zone designation.

We have scheduled a presentation of the application to Neighborhood Planning Unit M on Monday, July 23, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. at the M.L. King, Jr. Visitor's Center, located at 450 Auburn Avenue, NE. The chair of NPU – M is Mr. David Patton and he can be reached at (404) 522-2596. Please be present at the NPU – M meeting to briefly present your proposal and to answer any questions regarding your application.

Additionally, the Community Development and Human Resources Committee of the Atlanta City Council will hold a public hearing on your application on Tuesday, September 25, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Please be present at the hearing to briefly present your proposal and to answer any questions regarding this application.

Should you require any further information, please contact Sara Wade Hicks at (404) 330-6728 or Valerie Bell-Smith at (404) 330-6899.

Sincerely.

Robert Gray

CC:

Michael A. Dobbins, Commissioner Tim Polk, Deputy Commissioner Sara Wade Hicks, Assistant Director Enrique Bascunana, NPU – M Planner

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Criterion	Required	Proposed	Compliance
1. Eligibility Criteria a. Evidence of Pervasive Poverty b. Unemployment c. General Distress (High Crime or Vacant/Abandoned Buildings d. Underdevelopmen t	Area must meet 3 out of 4 Criteria a. Poverty rate of ≥ 20% b. Census tract job loss ≥ 10% Of State Average or 4.0 c. High Crime or Vacant/Abandoned Buildings d. Lack of development activity < 20% for NPU as compared to the city as a whole	<ul> <li>a. Poverty rate of ≥ 30 % for CT 13 BG 4</li> <li>b. 2.6% for CT 13</li> <li>c. 14% Non-Residential Building Permits for NPU-M</li> </ul>	√
2. Acreage	NONE	1.65 acres	<b>V</b>
3. CDP Consistency	F.A.R. = n/a	F.A.R. = 1.75	1
4. Zoning Compliance	PDMU	PDMU	1
5. Project Specificity	Project Specific Zone or > 50% of Areawide Zone	Project Specific	√
6. Project Readiness	≥ 30% of Units to be Initiated in Year 1	100% in first year	<b>V</b>
7. Non-Displacement	Minimum Displacement	None	7
8. Affordability (Housing and Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zones)	20% of total units and 10% of each housing type is affordable to households whose income does not exceed 60% of the median for the Atlanta MSA (low income). 20% must bear monthly rents ≤ 30% of low income level, adjusted by family size. 20% must bear purchase prices ≤ \$120,340 or 2.2 median income for the Atlanta MSA.	20% - 50% of the housing units will be reserved for households within the income range of \$26,000 - \$39,000	√
9. Provision for Atlanta police officers and their families (Housing and Mixed-Use Residential/Commercial Enterprise Zones)	5% of available units to be offered to Atlanta police officers and their families at purchase prices or monthly rents which do not exceed the low-income level of affordability	Proposes to comply	1
10. Financial Feasibility	sales - affordable units ≥ 20% of total without exemption, or tental (cumulative basis over the 1st five years) - a. negative cash flow, or b. debt coverage ratio <1.20, or c. a variable-ratio DCR equivalent to said fixed-rate ratio, based upon reasonable assumptions as certified		TBD

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Exhibit D
Evaluation Checklist

Proposed Ponce Springs Apartments Mixed-Use Residential & Commercial

## **Exhibit E**

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2001 HUD Income Limits/Affordability

FAMILY SIZE (% OF BASE)	INCOME ADJUSTMENT	LIVING ACOMODATIONS EXPENSES (<30%)	MAXIMUM RENTS		
1 PERSON (70%)	\$27,930.00	\$8,379	\$698		
2 PERSON (80%)	\$31,920.00	\$9,576	\$798		
3 PERSON (90%)	\$35,910.00	\$10,773	\$898		
4 PERSONS - BASE	\$39,900.00	\$11,970	\$998		
5 PERSONS (108%)	\$43,092.00	\$12,928	\$1,077		
6 PERSONS (116%)	\$46,284.00	\$13,885	\$1,157		
7 PERSONS (124%)	\$49,476.00	\$14,843	\$1,237		
8 PERSONS (132%)	\$52,668.00	\$15,800	\$1,317		

## Maximum Sales Price \$146,300

(2.2 Rule / 2.2 times the Median Income)

#### ASSUMPTONS:

Median Income \$66,500 - SMSA

Rent Range is Determined by the Number of Rooms Per Unit and the Atlanta Housing Code Maximum Allowable

Persons per Room - 2; A Two-Bedroom Apartment Unit Could Not House More Than a Four Person Household.

# TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

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To Mayor's Office: Greg Pridgeon (For review & distribution to Executive Management)
Commissioner Signature Www. Director Signature Report Survey Department of Planning
From: Department of Planning, Development Contact: Robert Gray Neighborhood Conservation
Committee(s) of Purview: Community Development / Human Resources
Committee Meeting Date (s) 9/12 CD, 9/25 Public Hearing 9/26 CD City Council Meeting Date 9/17 & 10/1
CAPTION:
AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE THE PONCE SPRINGS APARTMENTS MIXED-USE RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISE ZONE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
BACKGROUND/PURPOSE/DISCUSSION:
Ponce Springs Acquisition LLC c/o Miller-Gallman Developers, LLC, seeks to develop mixed-income housing consisting of 123 units of loft type rental apartments comprised of residential spaces and live/work spaces above ground level storefront neighborhood oriented shops. Forty percent (40%) of the total housing units will be set aside for families and individuals earning 60% or less of the Area Median Income (AMI). Approximately 72 new, permanent jobs are expected to be created. The total development cost is estimated to be \$16.5 million.
FINANCIAL IMPACT (if any):
The Department of Finance is conducting a fiscal impact analysis for the proposed zone.
Mayor's Staff Only
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Submitted to Council Date   D
Action by Committee:ApprovedAdversedHeldAmendedSubstituteReferredOther